**Looking Ahead:**

Jan 29 – SJL 8:30 Worship with Communion

 SJL 9:30 Sunday School

 **SJL 9:30 Annual Meeting following 8:30 worship**

 CLC 10:30 Worship with Communion

Jan 30 – CLC 9:00 Quilting

 SJL 9:00 Quilting

Feb 01 – SJL 4:30 – 6:00 Confirmation Class

Feb 02 – 8:30 Vicar at Birnamwood Elementary. For Reading Program

 9:30 Vicar at Clover Leaf Terrace for service

 (Volunteer’s needed to help with communion from SJL or CLC)

Feb 05 – SJL 8:30 Worship w/communion, Coffee Fellowship following

 CLC 9:30 Bible Study

 CLC 10:30 Worship

Feb 06 – CLC 9:00 Quilting

 SJL 5:45 Fireman/EMT Soup Supper

Feb 07 – CLC 6:00 Council Meeting

Feb 08 – CLC 5:30 Confirmation Class

Feb 09 – SJL Welca Meeting at 2:00

Feb 09 – 15 Vicar Jennifer will be on vacation

**St. John Members:**

* **Birnamwood Polka Days celebration** - We will be holding the “Card Raffle” again this year and are looking for donations and volunteers to work the booth. Great Fundraiser.
* **3rd Annual Firemen’s/EMT Soup Supper** – hosted by SJL on Monday, Feb. 6th at 5:45 pm. Please sign-up (back of church) to help with this event
* **Coffee Fellowship** – Sign up (back of church) to bring a snack/treat for the First Sunday of each month Coffee Fellowship.
* **Ash Wednesday Soup Supper on Feb**. **22nd following service (dine-in or Soup to Go).** Look for the sign-up sheet.
* **Welcome our new members**: **Jeremy & Shirley Thiex and Cody &** **Nicole Jayne Thiex**. We are excited to have you in our church family.

**Calvary Members:**

* **Thank you to our Women’s Group** for providing the

hot beef and turkey sandwiches and buns for the Annual Meeting and to our council members for making the side dishes, desserts, and hosting the Luncheon.

* **Congratulations** and a big THANK YOU to our new council members: **Melissa Ferg,** second term council member **Scot Peterson** and to **Julie Kubiaczyk** for accepting the nomination to return to council after taking a 2-year break from council; but still remained very active in the life of the church. We appreciate

you and thank you for sharing your time and talents with us.

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

**January 29, 2023**



Jesus opens the Sermon on the Mount by naming those who are blessed in the reign of God.

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Organist: Joann Schmidt Song Leader: Peggy Benes

Lector: Alan Bahr

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany – January 29, 2023**

Prelude

Call to worship

Welcome and announcements

SJL: Reception of New Members at St. John’s: Today we welcome – Jeremy & Shirley Thiex and Cody & Nicole Jayne Thiex into our St. John’s Family and as members of the Kindred Parish,

**Confession and Forgiveness** Back cover of hymnal

**Hymn: “O God of Mercy, God of Light” #714**

**Greeting and Kyrie** p.147

Canticle of Praise “This is the Feast” p.148

Prayer of the Day *(in unison – see Celebrate Insert)*

Readings**:** See Celebrate Insert

First Reading: Micah 6:1-8

 R: The Word of the Lord **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 15

 *Begin with refrain and repeat after the bold* ***R***

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

 R: The Word of the Lord **C: Thanks be to God.**

 **Gospel Acclamation** *(Please stand as you are able)* **p.151**

**“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.”**

The holy Gospelaccording to Matthew 5:1-12

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

 *The Reading*

The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ**

**The Sermon: Vicar Jennifer @ SJL**

**The Sermon: Rev. Betty Wyatt @ CLC**

**Hymn of the Day: “Jesus, the Very Thought of You” #754**

**Apostles’ Creed** *(inside back cover of hymnal)*

The Prayers of Intercession *(back of Celebrate Insert)*

 L: Merciful God. **Response: Receive our prayer**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. . . **and also with you.**

 *Share the peace with one another*

**MEAL**

The Offering*– The offering basket will be brought forward as we sing the*

***Doxology.***

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;***

 ***Praise God, all creatures here below;***

 ***Praise God, above ye heav’nly host;***

 ***Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

*Offertory Prayer*

The Great Thanksgiving p.152

Holy, Holy, Holy p.153

**The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)** p.154

 *The congregation may be seated*

The Invitation to Communion

  *The Sacrament is shared*

*(We have an open table for Communion. All who are baptized are welcome to receive the Lord’s Supper. Children who have not received their first communion and those not taking communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. We offer both wine and grape juice (center rings). Gluten-free wafers are available upon request).*

Agnus Dei: “Lamb of God. . .” p.154

During communion . . .

 HYMN: “Now We Join in Celebration” **#462**

HYMN: “Let Us Break Bread Together” **#471**

Prayer after Communion

 *Please be seated for the Blessing, Sending Hymn, and Dismissal.*

The Blessing

**Sending Hymn: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” #697**

The Dismissal **Response: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

***Kindred Parish Prayer Concerns:***

 ***Calvary:*** *Samantha Smith, Lois Helms, Nancy Klemp, Don Guse, Ken Glover, Maverick Clark, David Schroeder, Theresa DeBroux, Patty Koeppel, Merna Schuman, Jan Cunningham, Amy DeBroux*

 ***St. John’s:*** *Tom Opper, Joel Creydt, Cindy O., Bob G., Eric DeHart, Kristi Conzella, Ed Hilger, Danielle (Hegewald) Andrews, Andy Peterson*

 ***Prayers for members & friends serving in the military:***

*Greg, Tony, Joe, David, Isabel, and Daniel*

Thank you to Rev. Betty Wyatt for leading us in worship today at Calvary Lutheran; allowing Vicar Jennifer the time to attend St. John’s Annual Meeting.